

TriYoung is a perfect example of how the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act is making a difference in the lives of business owners and hardworking Americans. I am honored to represent this woman-owned business in Congress, and I will continue to support legislation that allows small businesses like TriYoung to thrive.

Thank you, Julie, for sharing your story.

#### BRETT KAVANAUGH DOES NOT BELONG ON THE HIGHEST COURT IN OUR LAND

(Mr. KENNEDY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. Speaker, Brett Kavanaugh does not belong on our highest court in the land.

Mr. MCCONNELL can withhold all the documents he wants. Mr. Kavanaugh's words betray that silence. His emails show that he will dismantle *Roe v. Wade*. His rulings show that protections for preexisting conditions are no longer safe. His words show that marriage equality and LGBTQ rights would no longer be etched in stone. His silence shows that a President will be handed a shield against accountability.

To those harmed by his rulings, he offers not even a handshake. When pressed, he offers just a lawyerly dodge and a shield of confidentiality.

But the American people marched for a woman's right to choose. They took to our streets to end gun violence. They fought for marriage equality.

If you believe that healthcare is a right for all and not a privilege just for a few, then we need you to raise your voices today.

Mr. Kavanaugh should not be on our court.

#### TARLETON STATE RODEO TEAM

(Mr. WILLIAMS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. WILLIAMS. Mr. Speaker, today I want to take a moment to recognize the Tarleton State University Rodeo Team located in Stephenville, Texas.

Now, if you have never been to a Texas rodeo, I can promise you, it isn't like anything you have ever seen before. There is nothing quite like it and, frankly, there is nothing more Texan.

Day in and day out, the young men and women on the Tarleton State Rodeo Team are dedicated and give 100 percent, no matter what. In fact, this summer, because of their hard work, the men's team finished second at the College National Finals Rodeo.

However, this was not an isolated accomplishment. The Tarleton Rodeo Association has been part of a winning tradition since 1947. They have won seven national championship titles and 27 individual national championships.

Mr. Speaker, because of all of this, the Tarleton State Rodeo Team is the

best in Texas and one of the best in the Nation.

I am proud to represent these champions in the 25th Congressional District, and I look forward to watching them continue to dominate the competition.

In God we trust.

#### RECOGNIZING ARTS IN EDUCATION WEEK

(Ms. PINGREE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. PINGREE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Arts in Education Week. I believe strongly that arts in our schools, whether it is visual art, music, drama, creative writing, or dance, are as much of a component of a well-rounded education as STEM or humanity subjects.

The measurable benefits of a robust arts education are clear. The U.S. Department of Education has found that students in arts programming had better attendance and fewer disciplinary issues. But anyone who has experienced arts education knows that its value goes well beyond what's measurable. It builds confidence, teaching students how to express themselves in front of their peers and the larger community.

It promotes diversity and inclusion, encouraging kids to engage with and learn from creative traditions that they may not be familiar with. And it can start important conversations, using fun and accessible mediums to get us thinking about hard topics.

I thank the educators and students in Maine and across the country who commit to bringing the power of the arts into our schools and homes every day.

#### RECOGNIZING THE TIRELESS WORK AND DEDICATION OF HARRIET V. CARTER

(Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the decades of service of my congressional community liaison and my friend, Harriet V. Carter.

Harriet, a graduate of Tulane University, who participated in study abroad programs, served as a congressional aide for many years in my district office and, during her semi-retirement, has been a goodwill ambassador to our community on my behalf.

Harriet Carter is a graduate of Leadership Miami, the Cuban American National Council's Hispanic Leadership Training Program, and has been active in the Greater Miami Jewish Federation, the Jewish Community Relations Council, and a bevy of groups that help Floridians.

Harriet's tireless work in my office and throughout our community dem-

onstrates the positive impact that one person can have. Harriet Carter's dedication to the service of others is an inspiration, and I am sure that she will continue to work diligently on behalf of our South Florida community for many years to come.

#### WASHINGTON'S RAMPANT CULTURE OF CORRUPTION

(Mr. KILDEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, the recent indictments of two GOP House Members showcases this rampant culture of corruption symbolic of a government of, by, and for special interests and wealthy donors.

Now, this week, Republicans are trying to rush through their tax scam 2.0, which explodes the deficit to give more money to wealthy donors and the richest Americans. Because of the first tax scam, some of the biggest corporations are now on track to spend \$1 trillion on dividends and stock buybacks.

Meanwhile, working class constituents struggle to keep a roof over their head, pay for healthcare, and put food on the table for their family.

Democrats want real bipartisan tax reform that creates jobs, reduces the deficit, and is for the people, not just the ultra-rich.

We want to clean up the corruption and make Washington work for the people again. This means strengthening our ethics laws to fight special interests. This means fixing our broken campaign finance system to end the influence of big-money donors, and this means empowering voters to demand a responsive, accountable government, one that protects the right to vote, secures our election infrastructure, and ends partisan redistricting.

#### HURRICANE FLORENCE PREPAREDNESS

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, as Hurricane Florence threatens to strike South Carolina, I am grateful to Governor Henry McMaster, Adjutant General Bob Livingston, Attorney General Alan Wilson, as well as Kim Stenson, Director of the Emergency Management Division, who have all done a fantastic job of preparing for the high winds and extraordinary flooding, while keeping the people of the State up to date with the encouragement of President Donald Trump.

I appreciate that the Governor has been in close coordination with President Donald Trump and together they are working to ensure South Carolinians have all the resources for the courageous first responders to respond to Hurricane Florence, which endangers families.

The projected phenomenal rainfall will cause unexpected flooding, so we